



RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURÉ **EXAMINING GROUP 2/174**

Docket No.: 21.198

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Toshimitsu SUZUKI et al.

Serial No. 09/657,460

Confirmation No. 1685

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 AND REQUEST FOR EXAMINER INTERVIEV

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed December 15, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on March 15, 2004. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee, is submitted herewith, making the period for response end on April 15, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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S&H Form: (10/03) Attorney Docket No. 21,1983 **Application Number** 09/657.460 REPLY/AMENDMENT Filing Date September 7, 2000 FEE TRANSMITTAL First Named Inventor Toshimitsu SUZUKI et al. Group Art Unit 2174 AMOUNT ENCLOSED 128.00 **Examiner Name** Thanh T. Vu FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03) **CLAIMS AS** Claims Remaining **Highest Number** Number **AMENDED** Previously Paid For After Amendment Extra Calculations Rate TOTAL CLAIMS 43 42 = X 18.00 = 18.00 INDEPENDENT 8 = 0 X \$ 86.00 =0.00 8 **CLAIMS** Since an Official Action set an original due date of March 15, 2004, petition is hereby made for an 110.00 extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$420); 3 months (\$950); 4 months (\$1,480); 5 months (\$2,010)): If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$330.00) If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00) Information Disclosure Statement (Rule 1.17(p)) (\$180.00) Total of above Calculations = 128.00 Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) TOTAL FEES DUE = 128.00 (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". RECEIVED (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". APR 0 8 2004 METHOD OF PAYMENT Technology Center 2100 \bowtie Check enclosed as payment. Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date). GENERAL AUTHORIZATION If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit 冈 any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: Deposit Account No. 19-3935 STAAS & HALSEY LLP Deposit Account Name \boxtimes The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP Richard A. Gollhofer Typed Name Reg. No. 31,106 4/5/04 Signature Date

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